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TITLE VITOLDS PORMANIS, wa.			CHARACTER OF CASE INTERNAL SECURITY - R & LA
SYNOPSIS OF FACTS: Information from T-1, of known reliability, indicates one GAIDA PORMAN presently residing at 100 W. 55th St., Apt. 9E, New York City, is probably identical with subject's wife. - P - DETAILS: AT WASHINGTON, D. C. T-1, of known reliability, furnished no additional pertinent information concerning the subject's background or alleged Communist activities. The informant advised that the subject received correspondence from GAIDA PORMAN, 100 West 55th Street, Apartment 9E, New York City, in care of L. deSEGUI in August, 1951. He also received correspondence postmarked at New York City on February 16, 1950 and February 23, 1950, the return addresses having been removed from the envelopes and the contents of the letters being written in a foreign language, apparently Latvian. The informant also advised that the subject had received a letter the postmark of which had been removed but which was dated the fourteenth of September, 1949, at Karlsruhe-Baden, German. This letter was in a foreign language and bore the return address of JEKABS GAILITIS. The informant further disclosed that the subject had in his possession six typewritten pages of names written in English under the caption "Lutheran Displaced Persons Resettled In Michigan As Of October, 1949".			
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T-2, of known reliability, advised that the subject had written a letter which was published in the Washington Post on August 13, 1951, in the Letters To The Editor column. The letter entitled "New Russian Tactics" reads as follows:

"Being a man from one of the countries behind the Iron Curtain, I know the Russians better than most people. That is why I am taking the liberty of giving my version of what is behind the latest Soviet peace move.

"Even at this late date the Russians are having troubles behind the Iron Curtain. This is especially so in the occupied countries. In the Baltic states, Poland, Czechoslovakia, and other lands there are many thousands of underground workers and guerilla fighters. Many have already lost their lives, but they did manage to keep the hopes of their countrymen alive.

"The big hope for the underground was America. The general sentiment was that sooner or later the big clash would come, and America would liberate the oppressed once again. Now the President of the United States sends a message to the official head of the Soviet Union saying that the people of the United States do not have the slightest wish to fight the people of the Soviet Union. All they want is peace.

"Obviously, this is something the Soviets can use. They printed the message all over the country and repeated it over the air with a definite purpose in mind. Namely, to tell the underground workers and guerilla fighters: 'Relax, America is not going to fight, and there is no one else to help you.' It was the simplest and cheapest way to kill the big hope.

"VICTOR PORMAN.

"Washington."

T-2 further advised that the subject compiled an advertisement for publication in the Latvian newspaper in New York City, the English equivalent of which being "Time". This ad was in behalf of the King Merritt Company, Inc., Mutual Fund Investments, and carried the Washington, D.C., address of the firm.

T-2 further advised that in July, 1951, the subject had received a letter from M. KRASSOWSKI, Schoenleinstr 8, Stuttgart-OST, Germany. T-2 was unable to furnish further information concerning that individual.

ENCLOSURE: TO NEW YORK

1 photograph of GAIDA PORMAN from INS files dated 1947.

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